

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING HELD
July 20, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Butler Township Board of Commissioners was held on July 20, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Butler Township Municipal Building, 290 S. Duffy Road, Butler, PA 16001. The following Commissioners were present: Pres. Dave Zarnick, Vice Pres. Sam Zurzolo, Commis. James Lokhaiser and Commis. Fred Vero.

Also present was Manager Tom Knights, Zoning Officer Jesse Hines, Solicitor Rebecca Black, and Engineer Dan Deiseroth.

Pres. Zarnick stated that anyone taping the meeting is required to state their name; Ryan Saeler from Butler Radio Group indicated he would be taping the meeting.

Pres. Zarnick called for any corrections to the minutes of the July 6, 2020 Special meeting. There were none, minutes stood as approved.

Commis. Vero had no report

Commis. Lokhaiser reported on the guidelines from Butler Township Fire Chief, Chris Switala for burning during heat waves. He also reported on the Fireman's Raffle stating that it was cancelled for in person but will be held virtually on Saturday, September 12th.

Commis. Zurzolo reported on the good job the guys were doing with their work at Preston Park.

Pres. Zarnick reported on National Night Out stating that the date has been moved from August to October 6th. He also encouraged all residents to participate in the Census. He also stated that he is meeting with the county this upcoming Thursday to target one area of the Township where they are having a hard time getting people to complete the Census.

Solicitor Black had no report

Engineer Deiseroth had no report

Zoning Officer Hines had no report

Manager Knights reported on the 2nd quarter report of the Household Hazardous Waste Program. He also reported on the formal notice to proceed with Preston Park construction.

Zoning Officer Hines presented the Autumn Woods Subdivision. He introduced Brad Simmons and Robert Brennan who reviewed the Autumn Woods Subdivision and Land Development as one. The project is a cluster development and they have conformed to all requirements necessary. Zoning Officer Hines believes it is in order to get approved upon some final contingent items.

Motion by Comm. Vero to grant final approval of the Autumn Woods Subdivision upon compliance with Gateway Engineers letter dated June 24, 2020, along with appropriate storm water easement coming off Winterwood Dr. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Vero: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried

Autumn Woods Land Development

Motion by Comm. Vero to grant final approval of the Autumn Woods Land Development contingent upon compliance with Gateway Engineers letter dated June 24, 2020, executing developers agreement approved by township solicitor, posting the financial security amount and in form acceptable to township solicitor, approval of Butler Area Sewer Authority, executing storm water operation and maintenance agreement, approval of ENS and NPDES by the Butler County Conservation District, approval of planning module by DEP, review and approval of an HOA and storm water easement document by township solicitor. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Vero: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried

Zoning Officer Hines introduced Craig with HRG to present Benevan Square Subdivision and Land Development as one, but making them two separate motions. The site is located at 340 New Castle Rd, and involves two existing buildings on site that will be removed along with two access drives along New Castle Rd which will be updated to meet PennDOT standards. The parcel will be subdivided into three separate lots for development. Hines stated that it is recommended for approval.

Motion by Comm. Vero to grant final approval to the Benevan Sq Subdivision contingent upon compliance with Gateway Engineers letter dated June 24, 2020. . Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Vero: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried

Benevan Square Land Development

Motion by Comm. Vero to grant final approval of the Benevan Sq Land Development contingent upon compliance with Gateway Engineers letter dated June 24, 2020, executing a developers agreement approved by township solicitor, posting financial security in the amount of and form acceptable to township solicitor, approval of Butler Area Sewer Authority, and executing a storm water operations and maintenance agreement.

Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Vero: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried

Benevan Square Highway Occupancy Limit

Motion by Comm. Vero to act as the applicant for submission for the storm water highway occupancy permit for Benevan Sq upon compliance with Gateway Engineers review and recording of approved storm water agreement for the property. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Vero: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried

Manager Knights presented the Resolution for the CDC Property Closing Authorization, requesting authorization to allow him as manager to sign the closing documents necessary for land acquisition at Pullman Business Park.

Motion by Comm. Vero to grant approval for the Resolution for the CDC Property Closing Authorization. Seconded by Comm. Lokhaiser. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Vero: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried

Manager Knights presented the Resolution for Greenways and Trails Grant Application, requesting authorization to sign a resolution allowing Butler Township to apply for Greenways and Trails Grant through the DCD in the amount of \$250,000 with a Township match of 15%. Grant proceeds would go to the Preston Park and Saw Mill Run Park connecting bridge.

Motion by Comm. Lokhaiser. Seconded by Comm. Vero. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Vero: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried

Manager Knights presented the Resolution for Flood Mitigation Grant Application. This is a resolution to apply for a flood mitigation grant through the DCD for remediation for the flooding problem at the ski slope.

Motion by Comm. Lokhaiser to approve the resolution for the Flood Mitigation Grant Application. Seconded by Comm. Vero. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Vero: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried

Manager Knights highlighted the bills. General Fund: \$535,684.91; Highway Aid: \$11,485.42; Park Development: \$3,274.88; Payroll: \$285,691.49; Bills after June Report: \$17,492.14. Total bills: \$853,628.84.

Motion by Comm. Lokhaiser to approve the bills as presented. Seconded by Comm. Vero. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Vero: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion Carried

No Correspondance

Pres. Zarnick asked for public comment on any item of concern and there was no public comment.

Bill Olenyk, Winterwood Dr, spoke in regards to the Autumn Woods approval.

Questions were made and answered from the media.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM on a motion by Commis. Vero, Seconded by Commis. Lokhaiser.